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**REPLY UNDER 37 CFR 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
EXAMINING GROUP ART UNIT 2867**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: GREY et al.

Application No.: 09/845,500

Filing Date: April 30, 2001

For: SYSTEMS AND METHODS
WHEREIN A MACHINE-
READABLE ITEM CODE IS
SUBSTANTIALLY INVISIBLE TO
A HUMAN

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) Group Art Unit: 2867

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) Examiner: Tremblay, Mark S.

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) IBM Docket No.: YOR920010122US1

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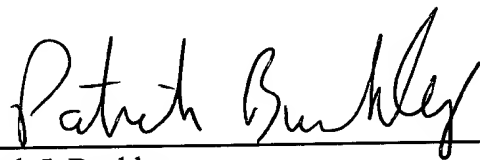
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In response to the final Office Action mailed August 20, 2003, Applicants respectfully request that the above-identified application be amended as follows:

Please change the title to: IDENTIFICATION CARD HAVING A PLURALITY OF BAR CODES THAT ARE SUBSTANTIALLY INVISIBLE

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

A replacement Abstract is provided on page 5 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.